

Art and Architectural Review Board
Minutes
August 4, 2017
The Branch Museum
2501 Monument Ave, Richmond, VA 23220

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

- 10:00am 1.1 **CALL TO ORDER**
Sandy Bond, Calder Loth, Bob Mills, Burt Pinnock, Donna Tuten, Helen Wilson
- 1.2 **PUBLIC COMMENT**
AARB Meetings are open for public comment. Rules for public comment can be obtained from the Director, Division of Engineering and Buildings.
- 1.3 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Motion: Mr. Pinnock
Second: Ms. Tuten
Recommend Approval of Minutes from July 7th meeting.
- 1.4 **OTHER BUSINESS**

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 10:10am
- 2.1 **VCCS – Southside VA Community College – Removal of Mobile Units**
Remove two mobile units identified as TT2 and TT3. These mobile units were placed on the campus in 2004 as additional office and multi-use space. TT2 is 1,357 square feet and was manufactured in 1998. TT3 is 1,242 square feet and was manufactured in 2003.
- 2.2 **Department of General Services- New Zincke Parking Lot**
Asphalt paved lot approximately 21,000 sq ft with 58 parking spaces.
- 2.3 **Gunston Hall – Visitors Center – Exterior Improvements and New Vestibule**
This project consists of several exterior improvements that are being replaced in-kind. Replace 1970s flat roof, replace damaged slate, repair and replace exterior gypsum ceiling, repair and replace exterior soffits, replace original entry sliding glass door with swinging glass doors, replace 1970s butt-glass window storefront system with new insulated aluminum storefront system. Upgrade gallery vestibule with new vestibule with efficient glazing system. The new vestibule will complement the existing architecture around it and will provide a more efficient glazing system and a better positioning for visitor's entering and exiting the museum portion of the Visitor Center.
- 2.4 **Gunston Hall – Fire Protection Improvements**
This project consists of replacing the existing Halon fire suppression and fire alarm system installed in the 1970s with an NFPA 13 fire suppression

pre-action sprinkler system and coordinating fire alarm system. The security system within the mansion will be updated as well. Update the utilities on site to connect the domestic water to the Fairfax County Water Authority Water system and add a water line extension to Gunston Hall for the fire suppression system. A fire pump is needed to support the new fire suppression system and will be located near Gunston Road in a standalone pre-fab building.

2.5 DBHDS - Catawba Hospital – Envelope Repairs

The project approach will include patching and repair of existing concrete that shows surface spalling. A mineral silicate primer and paint type coating will be specified for recoating all building elevations after the repair of the spalled areas. Existing failed sealants around windows, doors, and other penetrations will be replaced. Additionally, DBHDS has requested that entrance canopies be installed on two secondary staff entrances, one on each end of the building. The canopies will be prefinished aluminum to match the existing aluminum windows, and resemble the existing front entrance canopy.

2.6 Department of Forestry – Appomattox-Buckingham State Forest – Archery Pavilion

This 100' x 32' covered archery range will have the firing line on the south end and the targets with applicable safety zones to the north. Shelter will provide campers protection from the elements and will be used primarily in the summer months. The structure is similar to a picnic pavilion found in city, county and state parks. Roughly composed of 32, treated 8x8 posts supporting a 4:12 pitch metal roof 12' above a gravel surface. It will make a great addition to the camp.

2.7 VSU – Jesse Bolling Hall – Roofing Replacement

The proposed scope of work is to provide a new roof due to the immediate need for structural repairs. The prior roof had failed and was demolished as part of a life-safety emergency project during the 2016 fall semester; which resulted in the current temporary low slope single-ply membrane roof. The proposed roof will be a pitched standing seam metal roof with similar slope and shape as the removed structure. The new roof panels will be supported by non-combustible cold-formed steel trusses. The proposed structure will be supported by the original 1960 building, which will have minimal structural and architectural modifications. In order to cohesively match the current campus aesthetic, a dark gray color / finish was selected. Additionally, upon review of the existing front façade of the building, it was noted that a new paint / epoxy finish would be required to alleviate any minor water infiltration issues. To provide a more modern and appropriate appearance from the street approach, a new light gray color was selected.

2.8 DCR – Pocahontas State Park – Bathhouse Renovations All new materials are to match existing materials already found on this building and in the Park. The

existing building features exposed cmu walls on the exterior with wood board and batten siding on the upper portions and an asphalt shingle roof. Adjacent restroom buildings in the Park feature painted board and batten siding and asphalt shingle roofs (picture in the attached drawings). The proposed new materials are fiber cement board and batten siding, with a wood texture, and asphalt shingles. The proposed siding is pre-painted by the manufacturer in a grey/beige color to match other buildings in the Park. It is proposed to install siding over the cmu walls as there will be a lot of cutting and patching in the renovation, including cutting open cmu cells to install reinforcing in several of the exterior walls for lateral support. The siding is proposed instead of painting the cmu to hide the patchwork.

2.9 VMI – Preston Library Renovation

Exterior improvements include:

Replace windows with energy efficient windows that are historically correct. Add exterior door to Turman Room. Repair cracked stucco and concrete trim. Repair exterior concrete stairs. Add roof top mechanical units and visual screening. The roof top is the only place that will accommodate the new equipment. It will be designed so there is no view from the parade ground and minimal view from the football stadium across the road.

Comment: Board approval is subject to DHR approval.

Approval of consent items 2.1 through 2.9 with comments.

Motion: Ms. Tuten

Second: Mr. Pinnock

3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS

3.1 GMU – New Utilities Distribution System – North Plaza

The project involves two main components:

Underground Utility Replacement and Expansion. This scope includes replacement and/or installation of approximately 16,255 linear feet of chilled water piping, 500 linear feet of temporary chilled water piping, and 200 linear feet of hot water piping.

North Plaza Replacement and Expansion. The existing North Plaza, one of the signature open spaces on campus that provides the primary space for student activities in the landscape, will be replaced. The length of the overall plaza will also be extended from Robinson Hall (its current eastern-most extent) east to Southside Dining.

Comments: Examine the way that bricks and pavers interact at intersections.

Carefully study potential water features and effect on immediate environment. Consider adding an art piece to the water feature. Consider raising plant beds to higher elevation to discourage walk thru.

Motion: Ms. Tuten

Second: Ms. Wilson

Conceptual approval. Agency to return with further developed design, selected plant material palette and selected materials.

3.2 JMU – Veterans’ Memorial Park Softball Seating Expansion

****Previously submitted at December 2016 meeting with the following***

comments: “Conceptual approval as submitted. Agency return with final design including selected materials and view of expansion from inside the softball park.”

Agency response to previous board comments:

The previously submitted project scope and location has been reconsidered by the University and a new project scope and location is being submitted.

Motion: Mr. Pinnock

Second: Ms. Wilson

Conceptual approval. Agency to return with further developed design, final landscape plan and selected building materials.

3.3 College of William and Mary – Alumni House Expansion

The Project consists of a new addition to include approximately 17,161 GSF of proposed construction on the first floor, 6,991 GSF on the second floor, and 10,822 GSF on the third floor. The primary use of the building is to house Alumni Association administrative offices and to provide assembly space for meetings and functions of the Alumni Association. The building exterior includes brick veneer, synthetic or natural slate, and painted cornices, balustrades and porch structure which will match the campus standard trim color. The windows will be aluminum clad wood windows. Roof forms include sloped hips and gables at porticos, flat roofs with parapet and a cupola. Site work will include a new entry drive on axis with the main entry. New exterior terraces to the front and west of the addition will include brick pavers and, where required by code, metal railings. Landscape features include a new Walled Garden and a Family Courtyard, both donor-driven spaces. There will be accessible parking alongside the new drive and more parking adjacent to the west of the addition. A new mechanical enclosure will be designed to shield equipment behind a pierced brick wall, a design feature that has been used on campus before. Limited alterations to the existing Alumni House include HVAC systems replacement and windows replacement in the 1870’s Bright House portion of the existing facility.

Comments: Considerer emphasizing the cross walk connections between Alumni House and stadium entry points. Consider simplifying connection between drop off and Bright House entry for better flow.

Motion: Mr. Mills

Second: Mr. Pinnock

Final approval as submitted. Agency to submit landscape plan for consent agenda review.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

****Next AARB Meeting is Friday, September 1, 2017.**

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MEETING ADJOURNED

Minutes Approved as AARB

Advice and Counsel:



9/26/17

Date

Robert S. Mills, FAIA, CID

Chairman

Art and Architectural Review Board

**Approved as the
Governor's Designee:**



9-26-2017

Date

Christopher L. Beschler

Director

Department of General Services

